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Applicant(s): Walke *et al.* Group Art Unit: 1647
Application No.: 09/997,191 Examiner: R. DeBerry
Filed: 11/20/2001
Title: Novel Human Wnt-Family Protein and Polynucleotides Encoding the Same
Atty. Docket No.: LEX-0270-USA

AMENDMENT AND RESPONSE TO OFFICE ACTION
DATED FEBRUARY 20, 2003

Assistant Commissioner for Patents
Alexandria, VA 22313

Sir:

The Applicants acknowledge the receipt of the Office Action ("the Action") mailed on February 20, 2003 (Paper No. 6), which has been carefully reviewed and studied. The Examiner is respectfully requested to enter the following amendments. Reexamination and reconsideration of the application is requested in view of the following amendments and remarks. In order to facilitate the Examiner's evaluation of the application, Applicants have attempted to address the rejections in Paper No. 6 in the same order in which they were originally raised.

The response is timely filed, and Applicants believe no fees are due in connection with this response. However, the Commissioner is authorized to charge any additionally required fees or credit any overpayment to Deposit Account No. 50-0892.

AMENDMENT

In the claims:

Please amend the claims so that the text of the amended claims read as follows:

1. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising the nucleotide sequence of SEQ ID NO:1.

2. (Amended) An isolated nucleic acid molecule comprising a nucleotide sequence that:
(a) encodes the amino acid sequence shown in SEQ ID NO:2; and

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